schemes have been taken up in Calcutta under the Ganga Action Plan of the Central Government.

(10) A scheme has been initiated to give assistance to clusters of small scale industrial units for setting up common effluent treatment plants.

(11) Fiscal incentives are provided for installation of pollution control equipment and shifting of polluting industries from conjested areas.

(12) Gross and mass emission standards for all vehicles have been notified under the Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. The Ministry of Surface Transport have advised the various State Transport Directorates to enforce the gross emission standards with effect from 1st March, 1990.

(13) Public awareness campaigns have been launched about vehicular pollution.

(b) Prosecution have been launched by the respective State Transport Directorates against the vehicle owners for violation of vehicular emission standards under the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. In addition, certificates of fitness|pollution control certificates of polluting vehicles are cancelled and their owners are instructed to comply with the prescribed standards, before issue of fresh certificates.

Welfare organisation of Railway employees

58. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the largest welfare organisation, registered under the Societies Registration Act, to look after the welfare of Railway employees and their families; and

(b) what assistance Government are providing to such organisations to fulfil the mission of providing social and Welfare services to railway employees alongwith the objects for which the assistance has been provided, giving details organisation-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Railway administration had sponsored the registration of a Society for the welfare of Railway employees, namely, Indian Railway Welfare Organisation. This Organisation has been given financial assistance as detailed below, mainly to act as 'Seed Money'.

(i) Grant of Rs. 5 lakh in 1989-90.

(ii) Grant of Rs. 22.5 lakh in 1990-91.

(iii) Loan of Rs. 3.0 crore by Ministry of Finance in 1989-90.

(iv) Grant of Rs. 10 crore in 1990-91 by Ministry of Railways. In addition, office accomodation at Delhi, Bombay, Madras Hyderabad, Calcutta and Gorakhpur has been provided at nominal rent.

The main objective of Indian Railway Welfare Organisation is to provide houses to serving and retired railway employees at "no-profit no-loss' basis.

As regards the various other societies registered under the Societies Registration Act, to look after the welfare of Railway employees and their families, the details would be available with the respective Registrars.

Flag Station between Shahganj and Azamgarh railway stations

59. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khurason Road and Fariha railway station stations

on metre gauge line between Shahganj and Azamgarh railway stations are proposed to be made Flag Stations;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) when those two stations were opened and whether the considerations that led to the opening of these stations are still there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Khorasan Road and Phariha stations were opened as crossing stations on 14-2-1903 in order to meet railways' operational requirements on Shahganj-Azamgarh section. At present there is no operational necessity to retain them as crossing stations. Conversion is also considered justified for reasons of economy in their working.

LPG Bottling Plants in Eastern Uttar Pradesh

60. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of LPG bottling plants in eastern Uttar Pradesh alongwith the places of their location; and

(b) what is the number of such plants proposed to be commissioned during 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKRANAND): (a) Allahabad Varanasi, Gorakhpur.

(b) Nil.

Terrorism in Punjab, J and K and Assam

61. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by Government to curb the terrorism in Punjab, J and K and Assam; and

(b) the number of casualities caused by the terrorist in the month of October and upto 15th November 1991 in these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The security agencies are vigilant and are taking all possible steps to check the situation. Central assistance by way of additional forces etc. are also being extended to them.

(b) According to information available, 41 persons were killed in Assam, while 437 were killed in Punjab during the relevant period. In J and K, between 1st October and 10th November, 47 persons and 19 security force personnel were killed in terrorist action.

LPG Dealerships

62. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AN NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether successful applicants of L.P.G. dealership advirtised during 1989 and 1990 in the country, have given the dealerships;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the dealerships are likely to be given.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and being laid before the House.